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First Named Inventor: Kerry E. Quinn *et al.*

For: **AORTIC CARBOXYPEPTIDASE-LIKE PROTEIN AND NUCLEIC ACIDS
ENCODING SAME**

Box PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37
C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

1. This is a request for filing a continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b). This application claims priority to USSN 60/159,613, filed October 14, 1999, USSN 60/175,534, filed January 12, 2000, USSN 60/224,086, filed August 9, 2000 and USSN 09/641,741, filed August 18, 2000 each of which is incorporated by reference in its entirety.
2. This application is a total of 113 pages. This application includes:

103 pages of specification (not including claims, abstract, or figures)
9 pages of claims
1 page of abstract
Figures (1-20) (29 sheets)
3. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned).
4. Fees have been calculated for this application as follows:



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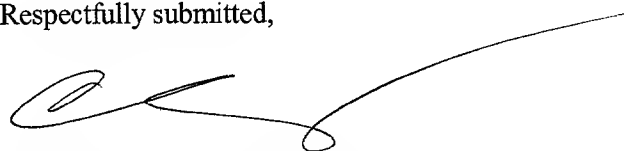
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CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a) \$740.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	43	- 20 =	23	\$18.00	\$414.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	3	- 3 =	0	\$84.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	0	0	0	\$260.00	
				SUBTOTAL:	\$1,154.00
				TOTAL FEE:	\$1,154.00

5. A check (#10939) in the amount of **\$1,154.00** is enclosed.
6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No.15966-581CIP (Cura 81CIP).
7. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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